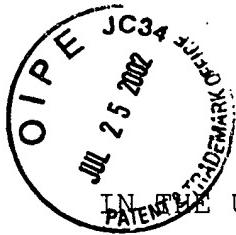


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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

July 25, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed June 25, 2002, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-34 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Supergrouping 1: Groups I-XXVI, claims 1-3, 6 and 8-15, drawn to isolated nucleic acids corresponding to SEQ ID NOS: 1-26, respectively, vectors, cells and pharmaceutical compositions comprising them;



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SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response in the above-identified application.

- Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
 The enclosed document is being transmitted via the Certificate of Mailing provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.8.
 The enclosed document is being transmitted via facsimile.

The fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR			PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL	43	-	43	=	0	\$ 9	\$0.00
INDEPENDENT	1	-	3	=	0	\$ 40	\$0.00
_____ FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE CLAIM						\$135	\$0.00
						TOTAL	\$0.00

- Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.
- No fee is required.
- A check in the amount of \$0.00 is enclosed.
- Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. This form is submitted in triplicate.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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